# CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA ACADEMIC SENATE

## ACADEMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

#### REPORT TO

## THE ACADEMIC SENATE

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Associate Degree for Transfer Campus Implementation

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**Executive Committee** 

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First Reading

#### **Background**

SB 1440 is a California Senate bill that guarantees students who obtain an Associate Degree for Transfer ADT (AS-T, AA-T) from a community college and transfer to a similar program at a CSU campus (STAR students) may complete a bachelor's degree in 90 quarter (60 semester) additional units. In addition, the Chancellor's Office provided additional guidance on the implementation.

#### **Resources Consulted**

California State Senate Bill 1440 Kathleen A. Street, Associate Vice President, Enrollment Management & Services Maria Martinez, Registrar Andrew Wright, Director of Admissions

#### **Discussion:**

The committee worked closely with the stakeholders listed above to create a policy to implement SB 1440. The following proposed policy achieved unanimous approval from all stakeholders involved.

#### **Recommendation:**

The Academic Affairs Committee recommends adoption by the Academic Senate and recommendation to the President to approve the following policy and to subsequently add it to the online University Manual.

Proposed Policy:

# CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA POLICY NO: TBD\*

#### ASSOCIATE DEGREE FOR TRANSFER

The Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) is a pathway in the CSU system in which a transfer student completes half (90 quarter/60 semester units) of their bachelor's degree at the Community College and half (90 quarter/60 semester units) at a CSU campus.

The following campus policy is in accordance with California State Senate Bill 1440.

1.0 For the entirety of this policy, the following definition of "similar" applies:

An associate degree is defined to be "similar" to the applicant's intended major at Cal Poly Pomona if the degree is deemed so by both the ADT-awarding California

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Community College AND by his/her intended major (or program) at Cal Poly Pomona. If deemed "similar" as so defined, the major (or program) at Cal Poly will establish a set of courses needed to fulfill the bachelor's degree requirements that conforms to the criteria established in Sections 6.0 through 9.0 of this policy.

- 2.0 An applicant is regarded as "CSU Eligible" if they have:
  - a. Completed a minimum of 60 semester (90 quarter) transferable units which must include:
    - i. The Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education-Breadth Requirements.
    - ii. A minimum of 18 semester units (27 quarter) units in a major or area of emphasis.
  - b. Earned a minimum grade point average of 2.0 in all transferable coursework. Remedial non-collegiate level coursework shall not be counted as part of the transferable units required.
  - c. Completed the "Golden 4" with a grade of "C- or better", thus fulfilling the General Education (GE) Breadth, which includes:
    - i. Oral Communication: Cal Poly Pomona GE Area A-1
    - ii. College Level Mathematics: Cal Poly Pomona GE Area B-4
    - iii. Critical Thinking: Cal Poly Pomona GE Area A-3
    - iv. College Level English: Cal Poly Pomona GE Area A-2
- 3.0 An applicant is regarded as an "ADT-compliant-student" if and only if all of the following are met:
  - a. The applicant has completed an Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) at a California Community College.
  - b. The applicant is applying to a major (or program) at Cal Poly that is deemed "similar" as defined in Section 1.0.
  - c. The applicant is CSU Eligible as defined in Section 2.0.
- 4.0 An ADT-compliant-student admitted under this policy shall receive priority admission over all other community college transfer students, excluding community college students who have entered into a transfer agreement between a community college and the California State University.
  - a. ADT-compliant-students from local community colleges who apply to a "similar" non-impacted major (or program) at Cal Poly Pomona will be guaranteed admission with junior status. Admission to Cal Poly Pomona does not guarantee admission to a "similar" impacted major at Cal Poly Pomona (see subsection c below).
  - b. ADT- compliant-students from non-local community colleges who apply to a "similar" non-impacted major (or program) at Cal Poly Pomona shall receive a temporary addition of "0.2" to their GPA for the sole purpose of admissions consideration. Students from this group who do not meet the minimum GPA

- requirement of the major (or program) after this temporary increase will be redirected to another CSU who can accommodate their enrollment for the given term.
- c. ADT-compliant-students from either local or non-local community colleges who apply to a "similar" impacted major (or program) shall receive a temporary addition of "0.1" to their GPA for the sole purpose of admissions consideration. Students from this group who do not meet the minimum GPA requirement of the major (or program) after this temporary increase will be redirected to another CSU who can accommodate their enrollment for the given term.
- 5.0 In order to receive priority the admission detailed in Section 4.0, the ADT-compliant-student must also be:
  - a. Cal Poly Pomona eligible based on the GPA requirements for the given major.
  - b. Be verified by the local Community College as completing the Associates Degree for Transfer (ADT) no later than the spring term prior to a fall term start or a summer term prior to a spring semester (winter quarter) start.
  - c. Submit an official final transcript showing completion and conferral of the Associates Degree for Transfer (ADT) no later than the deadline provided by the Admissions Office.
- 6.0 Upon matriculation at Cal Poly Pomona, the ADT-compliant-student will receive a 60 semester (90 quarter) unit-to-degree guarantee for majors (or programs) requiring 120 semester (180 quarter) units. Specified high unit majors shall be exempt from this policy upon agreement by the Chancellors of the California State University and the California Community Colleges and their respective Academic Senates. The ADT-compliant-student's Degree Progress Report will indicate this 60 semester (90 quarter) unit-to-degree guarantee. The ADT-compliant-student will forfeit this guarantee if any of the following actions are taken by the student:
  - a. The addition of a second major.
  - b. The addition of a first minor, a second minor, or a certificate program that will necessitate taking more than 60 semester (90 quarter) units at Cal Poly Pomona.
  - c. A break in continuous enrollment that is not attending Cal Poly Pomona for two consecutive terms without obtaining an approval for a Leave of Absence.
- 7.0 Community college transfer units shall not be applicable to upper division requirements at Cal Poly Pomona, unless agreed upon by the local Academic Senates of the California State University and the California Community Colleges and the transferred units do not cause a breach of the 60 semester (90 quarter) unit-to-degree guarantee.
- 8.0 Cal Poly Pomona shall not require ADT-compliant-students to repeat courses that are articulated to those taken at the community college that counted toward the conferred Associate Degree for Transfer (ADT) unless such a course must be repeated in order to satisfy a minimum grade requirement set by the major (or program) at Cal Poly Pomona.

- 9.0 To ensure completion of the required curricula, Cal Poly Pomona may require an ADT-compliant-student to take additional courses at Cal Poly Pomona so long as the 60 semester (90 quarter) unit-to-degree guarantee is not breached.
  - a. For admissions purposes, ADT-compliant-students applying to impacted majors (or programs) are not held to the supplemental course criteria of the respective major (or program). If a subsequent short coming arises, Cal Poly Pomona may adjust the student's curricula to accommodate required coursework for graduation and/or accreditation purposes.